

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

TYRONE WASHINGTON,	§	
	§	No. 495, 2016
Defendant Below,	§	
Appellant,	§	Court Below—Superior Court of
	§	the State of Delaware
v.	§	
	§	Cr. ID No. 9909013061 (S)
STATE OF DELAWARE,	§	
	§	
Plaintiff Below,	§	
Appellee.	§	

Submitted: May 26, 2017

Decided: July 20, 2017

Before **STRINE**, Chief Justice; **VALIHURA** and **VAUGHN**, Justices.

**ORDER**

This 20<sup>th</sup> day of July 2017, after careful consideration of the parties' briefs, we find it evident that the judgment below should be affirmed on the basis of the Superior Court's well-reasoned letter opinion, dated September 21, 2016, denying the appellant's first, untimely filed, motion for postconviction relief.<sup>1</sup> The Superior Court was not required to request an affidavit from the appellant's trial counsel when the ineffective assistance of counsel claims were more than a decade old.<sup>2</sup>

---

<sup>1</sup> *State v. Washington*, 2016 WL 5239644 (Del. Super. Sept. 21, 2016).

<sup>2</sup> *Shockley v. State*, 2013 WL 167005, \*2 (Del. Jan. 15, 2013).

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the judgment of the Superior Court is AFFIRMED.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Karen L. Valihura  
Justice